## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

JOHN W. FINK,

Plaintiff,

-against-

JONATHAN L. BISHOP; KAYDON A. STANZIONE; JOSEPH M. TROUPE; STEVEN W. DAVIS; SUEZ WTS USA, INC.; STEVEN W. DAVIS; ADT, INC.; EDGELINK, INC.; PRAXIS TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION; PRAXIS TECHNOLOGIES, INC.; J. PHILIP KIRCHNER; FLASTER/GREENBERG, P.C.,

20-CV-10533 (CM) TRANSFER ORDER

Defendants.

COLLEEN McMAHON, Chief United States District Judge:

Plaintiff, who appears *pro se*, brings this action seeking relief under Rule 60(b) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure with regard to decisions issued in actions he filed in the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey. "Rule 60(b), however, allows a district court to vacate only *its own orders and judgments.*" *Robles v. Lempke*, No. 09-CV-2636, 2018 WL 1320657, at \*4 (E.D.N.Y. Mar. 14, 2018) (emphasis added), *appeal dismissed*, No. 18-1398, 2018 WL 5848859 (2d Cir. Aug. 23, 2018); *see Frommert v. Becker*, No. 00-CV-6311, 2016 WL 9582833, at \*4 (W.D.N.Y. July 28, 2016) ("Rule 60(b) essentially allows a court to vacate its own judgment.") Thus, the proper venue for this action lies in the District of New Jersey, not in this Court. Accordingly, the Court transfers this action to the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 1406(a).

## **CONCLUSION**

Plaintiff has consented to electronic service of Court documents. (ECF 2.) The Court directs the Clerk of Court to transfer this action to the United States District Court for the District

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of New Jersey. Whether Plaintiff should be permitted to proceed further without prepayment of

fees is a determination to be made by the transferee court. A summons shall not issue from this

Court. This order closes this action.

The Court certifies, pursuant to 28 U.S.C § 1915(a)(3), that any appeal from this order

would not be taken in good faith, and therefore in forma pauperis status is denied for the purpose

of an appeal. See Coppedge v. United States, 369 U.S. 438, 444-45 (1962).

SO ORDERED.

Dated:

December 17, 2020

New York, New York

COLLEEN McMAHON

Chief United States District Judge

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